Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Stanley Patrick was born March 26, 1908, at Stratton, Colorado, to Thomas and Mabel Patrick; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Stanley moved to South Dakota with his family, graduated from White High School, and worked for Montgomery Wards in the 1940s in Brookings, Sioux Falls, and Sioux City; and,

Whereas, Stanley married Bernice McKeever on January 8, 1954, and;

Whereas, Stanley is the father of seven children: Joyce, Darlene, Donald, Lynne, Debby, Darla, and Diane, and the grandfather of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Stanley enjoyed farming near White, South Dakota, for many years, served on three different school boards in Brookings County, and was a charter member of the Brookings-Deuel Rural Water System; and,

Whereas, Stanley will observe his 100th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2008, as

STANLEY PATRICK DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State